

So I rise, actually, in support of this amendment, Mr. Chairman. I encourage my colleagues to support it also.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Chairman, I thank the chairman for his support of this amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. QUINN), a neighbor of the gentleman from New York (Mr. HOUGHTON).

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentleman for yielding time to me.

Mr. Chairman, I want to join the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. TAUZIN) and the gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS) in sending condolences to our neighbor and friend, the gentleman from New York (Mr. HOUGHTON), on his loss.

Over the past few years, all of the members of the western New York delegation, along with local leaders and members of the community and others, in an effort to see a resolution in the dispute between New York State and the Department of Energy, have all worked cooperatively together. The responsibility for long-term stewardship of this site and the transportation and removal of solidified waste must be established immediately. This amendment does just that.

The West Valley Demonstration Project was a creation of the Federal Government to deal with over 600,000 gallons of highly radioactive waste generated as a result of the nuclear fuel reprocessing effort, over two-thirds of which came from the Federal nuclear weapons facilities.

This amendment directs the Secretary of Energy to provide to Congress a plan to take over responsibility of this site. The Department of Energy and the State of New York have held talks for almost 4 years on this very issue, and these talks, as we have mentioned, have produced no results. Congress laid out the instructions in the 1980 West Valley Demonstration Project Act, and it is appropriate that we clarify today that the responsibility for the final phase of this project lies with the U.S. Department of Energy.

The western New York delegation has worked long and hard on this issue with the help of the West Valley Citizens Task Force, the Buffalo Niagara Partnership, local leaders, and the community at large. It is time for Congress to act and to move on this extraordinary undertaking and make it one step closer to completion.

Mr. TAUZIN. Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS).

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. TAUZIN. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS) having assumed the chair,

Mr. SWEENEY, Chairman pro tempore of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 6) to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H. CON. RES. 95, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004

Mr. NUSSLE submitted the following conference report and statement on the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 95) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2004 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2003 and 2005 through 2013:

(See text of the conference report on H. Con. Res. 95 on page H3194).

ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2003

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 189 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 6.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6) to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, and for other purposes, with Mr. SWEENEY (Chairman pro tempore) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. When the Committee of the Whole House rose earlier today, amendment No. 12 printed in House Report 108-69 offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS) had been disposed of.

SEQUENTIAL VOTES POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed in the following order: amendment No. 5 offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY); amendment No. 7 offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS); amendment No. 9 offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. BROWN); amendment No. 10 offered by the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL).

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

AMENDMENT NO. 5 OFFERED BY MR. MARKEY

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. The pending business is the demand for a

recorded vote on amendment No. 5 offered by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 197, noes 228, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 135]

AYES—197

Abercrombie	Gutierrez	Napolitano
Ackerman	Harman	Neal (MA)
Allen	Hastings (FL)	Oberstar
Andrews	Hill	Obey
Baird	Hinchey	Olver
Baldwin	Hoeffel	Owens
Ballance	Holden	Pallone
Bartlett (MD)	Holt	Pascarell
Bass	Honda	Pastor
Becerra	Hooley (OR)	Payne
Bell	Hoyer	Pelosi
Berkley	Inslee	Petri
Berman	Israel	Pomeroy
Bishop (NY)	Jackson (IL)	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Jackson-Lee	Rahall
Boehlert	(TX)	Ramstad
Boswell	Johnson (CT)	Rangel
Boucher	Johnson (IL)	Rothman
Bradley (NH)	Johnson, E. B.	Roybal-Allard
Brown (OH)	Jones (OH)	Ruppersberger
Brown, Corrine	Kaptur	Rush
Capps	Kelly	Ryan (OH)
Capuano	Kennedy (MN)	Sabo
Cardin	Kennedy (RI)	Sanchez, Linda
Carson (IN)	Kildee	T.
Case	Kilpatrick	Sanchez, Loretta
Castle	Kind	Sanders
Conyers	Kirk	Saxton
Cooper	Kleczka	Schakowsky
Costello	Kucinich	Schiff
Crowley	Lampson	Scott (GA)
Cummings	Langevin	Scott (VA)
Davis (AL)	Lantos	Sensenbrenner
Davis (CA)	Larsen (WA)	Serrano
Davis (FL)	Larson (CT)	Shays
Davis (IL)	Leach	Sherman
Davis, Tom	Lee	Simmons
DeFazio	Levin	Slaughter
DeGette	Lewis (GA)	Smith (NJ)
Delahunt	Lipinski	Smith (WA)
DeLauro	LoBiondo	Snyder
Deutsch	Lofgren	Solis
Dicks	Lowe	Spratt
Dingell	Lynch	Stark
Doggett	Majette	Strickland
Doyle	Maloney	Stupak
Dunn	Markey	Sweeney
Ehlers	Marshall	Tauscher
Emanuel	Matheson	Thompson (CA)
Engel	Matsui	Tierney
Eshoo	McCarthy (NY)	Towns
Etheridge	McCollum	Udall (CO)
Evans	McDermott	Udall (NM)
Farr	McGovern	Van Hollen
Fattah	McIntyre	Velazquez
Ferguson	McNulty	Visclosky
Filner	Meehan	Walsh
Ford	Meek (FL)	Waters
Frank (MA)	Meeks (NY)	Watson
Frelinghuysen	Menendez	Watt
Frost	Michaud	Waxman
Gerlach	Millender	Weiner
Gilchrest	McDonald	Wexler
Gonzalez	Miller (NC)	Woolsey
Gordon	Miller, George	Wu
Greenwood	Moore	Wynn
Grijalva	Nadler	

NOES—228

Aderholt	Ballenger	Biggert
Akin	Barrett (SC)	Bilirakis
Alexander	Barton (TX)	Bishop (GA)
Baca	Beauprez	Bishop (UT)
Bachus	Bereuter	Blackburn
Baker	Berry	Blunt